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Announcements

- President's Address to the SMC Community
- Upcoming: Fall Hoedown
- Tech Bar Tip: Overview of Google Drive
- EBAC Town Hall Meeting

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Events

9/19 - Armanino Accounting Presentation
9/20 - Environmental and Earth Sciences Colloquium
9/20 - Leadership Department Open House
9/20 - KPMG Accounting Presentation
9/20 - Bible Speaker Series: Brother Mark McVann
9/21 - Annual Wellness Fair
9/21 - LinkedIn Workshop
9/22 - Registration for Jan Term Travel Courses
9/22 - Meet & Greet with New BUSAD Program Director
9/22 - Johnston, Gremaux Accounting Presentation
9/22 - MS in Finance Mixer
9/23 - New Student Retreat

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Did You Know?

SMC Ranked Among Top 10 Western Universities



For the second year in a row, Saint Mary's has been listed as one of the [top 10 best regional universities in the West](#) in the just released 2017 U.S. News & World Report Best Colleges rankings. SMC was ranked the ninth best of Western regional universities. The College's average freshman retention rate of 89 percent is tied for sixth highest out of the top 93 Western regional universities.

CCIE Makes Progress on Student Demands

Chief Diversity Officer Tomas Gomez-Arias updates the Saint Mary's community [on the summer progress of the College Committee on Inclusive Excellence \(CCIE\) on responding to students' spring demands](#). A detailed list of responses will be announced and posted to the CCIE website next week.

Update from the Vice President of Mission

From establishing the Interfaith Sacred Space, Solidarity Suppers, and the soon-to-open Gael Pantry to the new mini-Buttimer in July, [the Office of Mission's Leadership Team has been hard at work on three initiatives](#) around mission integration, Lasallian research, and a vocational retreat for faculty and staff.

MFA in Creative Writing Kicks off Reading Series



It's easy to make study abroad part of your undergraduate education. **The Center for International Programs** hosts the Fall Study Abroad Fair Wednesday, Sept. 28, 12:30–2:30 p.m. in Dryden Hall. Meet representatives from international programs and Study Abroad Peer Mentors. Information sessions begin this week (Sept. 21, 23, and 26) at the Center for International Programs office in Brother Jerome West. Register for spring by Oct. 1.

Do you have a little-known tidbit or story about Saint Mary's? Send it to **Campus News**.

> Did You Know Archive

Lasallian Reflections



For the week of **Sept. 19**.

Learn how to submit Events and Announcements.

Introduced by Brenna McNab '11, MFA faculty writing stars Marilyn Abildskov, Wesley Gibson, Rosemary Graham, Brenda Hillman, Christopher Sindt, Lysley Tenorio (right), and Matthew Zapruder read from their work last week at the opening event of the Creative Writing Reading Series. Check out videos of [Hillman](#) and [Zapruder](#).



New Board of Trustees Members Announced

The College is pleased to announce six new trustees for the 2016-2017 year: Margaret French Isaac '85, Brother James Gaffney, FSC, Charles Moore '70, Sharon Muir, and returning trustees Peter Kelly '67 and James Quandt '71.

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Desmond Hatter '18 chats with Vince Nims '90, Mission and Ministry's assistant director of liturgy, prayer and faith formation, at last week's annual Black Student Meet and Greet, where students mingled with faculty, staff, and alumni.

Go Gaels

Men's Soccer Shuts Out Cal State Fullerton

It was Saint Mary's first shutout this season as the [men's soccer team](#) beat Cal State Fullerton 2-0 at Saint Mary's Stadium.



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Religious Services

- Sunday Mass in the Chapel is at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m.
- Daily Mass takes place Mon.-Thurs., 5:15 p.m., and Fri. at 7 a.m.
- Sacrament of Reconciliation is Sun., 7-7:45 p.m., or by appt.
- St. Giles Episcopal Eucharist is each Sunday at 9 a.m.

Religious Services Schedule

Let us remember that we are in the holy presence of God.

